#### Bon Marche, 314-316-318 7th

# The Clearance Sale Still Continues.

Our promises are no greater than their fulfillment. promised von the greatest bargains ever known in goods of the kind. You are getting them. The appreciation of the public is attested by the crowds here in response to our invitation.

Underwear, Wrappers, Gloves. Skirts.

Waists. Petticoats. Coats. Furs.

Toilet Goods, Dressing Sacques.

-Monday's announcement will X add to the list of undersellings already in force. It'll be good a news and worth your study.

Bon Marche. 314-316-318 7th. ŏ-;;-----**----------------**



Selling believ fee Shates for less mone ever before. There i me but the best makes g Shinny or Hocky Sticks, 5c, up.

M. A. Tappan & Co., 1530

# Model 63 Columbia.

This is the most perfect chain bicycle ever constructed. Every possible improvement in the running gear. The crank hanger construction has been modified to insure absolute truth in the running of the sprocket. Model 63 is equipped with our finest fittings and appointments, and the enameling and nickeling are done under our latest and most approved

# COLUMBIA

Model 63 \$50

American Bicycle Co., Washington Branch,

Pope Sales Dept., 817-819 14th St. N.W.

Local Agency, 105 B St. S. E.



Because it is the purest, mellowest, finest flavored rye whiskey made. Physicians prescribe it.

On Sale Everywhere.

BOKEL GWYNN McKENNEY CO., 119 South St., Rattimore, Md.



Carve/

Without doubt these famous wheels will be FIRST CHOICE among discriminating wheelmen during 1000. 1800 witnessed the most phenomenal output of

### RAMBLERS

On record. They are recognized the world over as leaders-they are the particular choice of particular people-who must have the best. They

American Bicycle Company, WASHINGTON BRANCH, CORMULLY & JEFFERY SALES DEPT., 1325-1327 14th St. N.W.

Local Agencies: 429-431 10th st. n.w. 1614 14th st. n.w.

The well-known strengthening properties of IRON, combined with other tonics and a most perfect nerv-les, are found in Carter's Iron Pills. Strengthens nerves and today: improves blood and complexion-noilo-s,tu,th,19

Just after the last election a leading democrat of the state of Nebraska, in conversation said that he didn't like Mr. Bryan personally, didn't like his principles, didn't like his speeches, but that as an organizer of d—d fools he had never seen or heard of his equal in the world.—Life.

### BASE BALL SITUATION

Washington an American Association City or Out of the Game.

EIGHT CLUBS IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

Local Capitalists Would Join New Organization.

WAGNERS HOLD CONTROL

innati club in New York, the payment of the Wrigley \$500 fine by Brooklyn and the more than probable reduction of the Na-tional League circuit of base ball clubs to eight cities bring the pertinent question nome to the local lovers of the national game as to what will become of Washing

Heretofore the Brooklyn-Baltimore dicate has blocked operations by refusing to hearken to proposals to buy out the Baltimore franchise, but the turn that came Thursday bringing about the payment of he obnoxious fine and the announcement that offers would be received for the Orioles has placed an entirely different aspect upon the situation. Cleveland and Louisville are in the same situation as a beggar on the corner, with palms outstretched, willing to take whatever is offered, and the Messrs. Wagner have placed a price on their club. All the circuit reducing committee will have to do is to agree upon the figures for the two eastern clubs not wanted, and the eight-club league will be complete. The chances are that this situation will be reached within the next week.

No Minor League Ball.

As intimated in The Star frequently, and xpert opinion agrees therewith, Washingon will not stand for minor league base pall. The Senators in years past may have played the poorest sort of ball, but the oposing teams presented the stars of the posing teams presented the stars of the profession, and this fact was what made the local patrons give up their half dollars with pleasure. In a minor lengue these attractions would be missing, and no matter how well the Senators may play against their opponents it would not be first-class ball, and the patronage would drop off to nothing. ball, and the patronage would drop off to nothing. Neither the Eastern nor American nor

Neither the Eastern nor American nor Western League has anything to offer in the way of clubs or players that would prove attractive to local patrons, and the situation resolves itself into two alternatives—a club in the contemplated American Association or no professional ball at all.

#### The American Association.

Notwithstanding the many humorous re marks about its organization, the American Association has become a known quantity, and it is more than likely that the players in its clubs will be the only ones outside of the National League to play first-class ball next season. Editor Richter of Sporting Life has dealt very conservatively with the new movement heretofore, but in this week's paper has the following o say:
"The threat of the American League to

"The threat of the American League to break the national agreement and extend its circuit eastward makes it necessary for the organizers of the new American Association to expose their hand just enough to assure the public that it has defeated all possible league schemes to head it off, and has moreover forestalled all attempts to supplant it as a genuine rival to the National League. In other words, Sporting Life spoke advisedly when it stated editorially two weeks ago that 'the new American Association was not so dead as the league magnates believed it to be.' We have good authority for saying that the new asociation bas not even been sleeping, but has been steadily, in secret, perfecting its organization, which is now so far advanced that seven clubs are ready for business and but one more city in the east is needed to complete a fine national circuit, thus warranting the assertion that the association will surely enter the base ball arena, full armed, next spring."

Accessions From Big League.

### Accessions From Big League.

The American Association cannot exist with players from minor league clubs wear ng their uniforms, neither does it expect to, and herein lie the possibilities and chances of base ball. Several stars will be taken from the National League, and through these accessions its clubs should be the equal of its older rival. With players of the caliber of Joe Kelly, Hugh Jennings, McGraw, Robinson, Lange, Duffy, Griffith, Rusie, Cal'ahan, Wallace and numerous others on its teams the American Association can go before the public offering attractions equal to the National League, if not better. Contracts will be respected by the association when a player is wanted, but the reserve rule will not hold good, and for this reason there are fully 150 National League players on the market. Outside of Pittsburg there is not a club in the National League that has secured the signatures of more than one or two players to contracts. The players would be foolish not to take advantage of the situation, especially when they are guaranteed against loss. The association will not be a cheap organization and will enter the field recovery. from the National League, and through fation will not be a cheap organization nd will enter the field prepared and willing o back up with cash all offers made to the

### A Question of Grounds.

Four clubs in the west-Chicago, St. Louis, Milwaukee and Detroit-and three lubs in the east-Boston, Philadelphia and Caltimore-constitute the membership of he American Association at present. One more eastern club is wanted, and Washington is the proper city to fill in the gap. To use a slangy but comprehensive expression, "It is all up to the Messrs Wagner." If, in resigning from the National League the owners of the Washington club simply relinquish their franchise and players, the Senators will be with the American Association next season without a doubt. But should the lease of National Park go with the franchise and players, the Washington people will have to do without base ball next season.

Several local capitalists stand ready to buy the lease and pay for the improvements at National Park, but unless these grounds are obtained the American Association will be "frozen" out of the city, as there is not another available spot for base ball within the corporate limits.

#### MCGRAW AND ROBINSON TO STAY. Will Join New Association if Balti-more is Dropped by League. from the Baltimore Spr

"It begins to look a great deal as if Baltimore would be frozen out of the National League," said Captain Wilbert Robinson of the Orioles yesterday in discussing the lat-

"At one time I thought that the Baltimore owners would refuse to get out, and that we would have ten clubs, but after all, how can you blame them? They probably think that it is better to get a good big roll or Baltimore now than to be frozen out and get nothing after 1901. And, in addi-tion, Brooklyn also might be dropped in 1991, and in the meantime Baltimore would be getting the hot end of it on the sched-

oe getting the not end of it on the sched-ules and everything clse.
"Nerve? Oh, yes, of course, if they had the nerve to light back and make Balti-more and Brooklyn the nucleus for a rival league if they were not treated right, they could make the National League magnates treat them right, but that is another mat-ter.

treat them right, but that is another matter.

"Of one thing you may be sure—Mac and I will have something to say when it comes to transferring us to this or that or t'other city. What I wish is that they would do what they are going to do as soon as possible, so that we may know where we are at. They will probably postpone action and keep everything uncertain until the last minute, so as to head off possible opposition. If we only had some league with good prospects to go into I would be in favor of going right after a franchise and getting grounds and a team without any regard for what the National League would do. The trouble is in finding such a league, not in our ability to put a good team here. If only that story of Ban Johnson's revolt had been true we would be ready to joint it."

Manager John J. McGraw said: "I have

said and believed all along that the league would be reduced to eight clubs, with Baltimore left out in the cold, and that was why I was anxious to investigate the plans of the proposed American Association. I have no kick to make against the National League, but I want Baltimore to have good ball, and I want to play ball right here, and the only way to accomplish those two things is, in my opinion, outside the National League, because the league has determined to kick Baltimore out.

"I never have taken any stock in these interviews about refusing to sell out Baltimore, and holding out to the end, and all that. It was all a 'bluff.' I believe, to get as much as possible for the club and franchise, for which nobody could bame the sowners. I believed all along and believe now that when the league offers its price for Baltimore there will be some haggling, but finally the bosses will put on the screws, and away will go Baltimore at the league's price, no matter how big a price they tell the public is paid for it. What I hope for is the formation of a good league that we can put a team into from Baltimore."

#### IN CHESS CIRCLES

As the big tourney, as it is popularly called, at the Washington Club nears its ast rounds the interest becomes more accentuated. The player keeps an accurate play, but also those whom his close oppoents must still meet, and in the sizing up of the eventuality it is a pretty certain of advantage in his own contests and his n his remaining games. Hopes and fears must be gone over with his friends, and moral support, nowhere more necessary. gained from the friendly opinion. The interest, though, is not all personal; all watch the contest for the first five places, and the same process of reckoning the remaining games of each possible winner is gone through with. The first three places are conceded to Messrs. Sournin, Hanna and Walker, though it is too early to make a prophecy as to the winner, and then the list of contestants is so strong that no game is certain until it is won. Mr. Walker's loss to Mr. Smith in this round gives his opponent for first place breathing space, but that is all; either one of the two leaders may drop as much as he has and a pretty fight still be on the boards. Messrs. Sournin and Hanna have an unfinished game that looks much like a draw, though Mr. Hanna's is slightly the preferable game. erest, though, is not all personal; all watch game.

Besides these three prizes, two more are

to be given, and for these two places four strong players are putting in earnest ef-forts, Messrs, Adair and Smith, who have a very slight lead over Messrs. Lyman and It seems strange to see the leaders in s

It seems strange to see the leaders in so many former conflicts—players like Capt. O'Farrell and Messrs. Harris, Gwyer, Woodward and Tharp—so far down the list. Different causes account for this. For one reason, when a number of players come together to start a tourney it is improbable that each will be in his best fighting trim. Outside cares at times beset a player also, and finally one man doesn't care to play such hard chess and go through the pre-liminary study as a more ambittous man such hard chess and go through the pre-liminary study as a more ambitious man in this line may. He simply wants to play good, average games, and is not expecting to turn himself into a Pillsbury. Of the above Mr. Tharp has not commenced to strike his gait, as he is well recognized as one of the strongest players of the city. Of the younger element who have en-tered this contest Mr. Boykin is making a line mark, now being in eighth place among fifteen strong players. Mr. Allen Prender is the youngest man on the list, and, although he has won but few games, nd, although he has won but few game

and, although he has won but few games, has invariably played good chess, and is a formidable opponent, as witness his defeat of Mr. Walker after a very slight slip on that gentleman's part. Dr. Hodges is not one of the ambitious players. If a tourney is started he goes in and takes what comes. With such an exceptional strong list as the present he has done well with his present standing.

In the current round Mr. Adair won from Mr. Lyman, Mr. Smith from Mr. Walker, Messrs. Boykin and Tibbetts drew and Messrs. Hanna and Sournin adjourned their game in about an even position. Mr. Hangame in about an even position.

THE CASE THE STREET	Won.L				Won	Los
V. Sournin	612	1, I	r. He	dges	3	6
E. P. Hanna		14. J	. W.	Harris.	3	6
F. B. Walker		24, (	apt.O	Farrell	. 2	
G. F. Adair.		3 4 4	Hen	Prender	2	6 7
W. H. Smith	614	312 V	V. A.	Gwyer.	2	7
T. B. Lyman	514	31, 6	. Wo	dward.	1	4
E. A. Tibbetts	614	41. I	The	rp	- 66	

won from Turner and Thomas Prender from Smith, and Mundelle and Dr. Bradley drew. The standing in this tourney is:

W.B. Mondelle of 12 G. S. Rafter, V. B. Mondelle of 52 1 J. P. Gampbell, A. E. Crofts. 4 1 W. E. Thomas Jahn Prender, 5 2 S. W. Tucker, L. B. Smith. 3 4 C. H. Turner, No progress has been made in the checker owrney during the hollidays, and the stand-ng is as last given, with Mr. Potts as as-ured winner.

The game following shows how weak a game becomes, although sustained by a first-rate player, following an ineffective attack on the king side with the pawns. It is to be noted that a review of published games shows that this attack is more often successful when sustained by the queen bishop.

	Duten	Delense.	
2 P - QB4 5 Kt - K B3 4 Kt - B3 5 B - Kt5 6 P - K3 7 R - R4 8 B - K2 5 B - Kt3 10 P - QR3 11 Q - B2 12 BxR 13 Cstles(K) 14 P - QK13 15 P - R3 16 Kt - Q2 17 P - K4	Walker, P-KB4 P-K3 Kt-KB3 P-QK13 B-Q3 Castles Q-K Kt-B3 P-QB3 Kt-K2 P-B K-B K-B K-B K-B K-B	Smith, 16 P-R3 26 P-Q5 21 Kt-R4 22 EPxP 25 FxP 26 Q-R3 27 K-R2 28 R-R 20 R-R3 30 QR-R 31 R-R7 32 Q-R3	Walker, Q-K13 P-K4 P-KK15 PXP QXB R-Q Q-K12 R-B3 R-K13 K-B2 Q-B B-B R-K14 Q-K14 Q-K14 Resigns,
18 Q-Q3	P-KR4 French	Defense.	
Lyman, 1 P-K4	Tibbetts.	Lyman, 22 Q-Ki3	Tibbetts.

15 P-R3 16 Kt-Q2 17 P-K4 18 Q-Q3	Rt-R15 Rt-R3 P-KK14 P-R5 P-KR4	32 Q-R3 33 Q-R4ch 34 Kt-R3 35 R-R6ch	R-R R-Kt4 Q-Kt Resigns.
	French	Defense.	
Lyman, 1 P-K4 2 P-K4 2 P-K4 3 KK1-B3 5 B-Q3 6 Castles 7 K1-K2 8 K1-K3 9 P-K5 10 B-Q2 11 P-Q14 12 P-XP 13 K1-K4 14 P-15 15 QR-B 16 P-XP 17 K1-Q4 18 B-K1 19 IR-K 20 Q-R4dd) 21 P-KB4	P-KRS R1-KB3 QK1-Q2 P-QK13 B-K12 K1-Q4 Q-B2 K1-K2 QxP QxP QxP QxP QxP QxP R1-Q1 PxP B-K2 K1-K4 B-R3(b) B-K12 K1-K4 B-R3(b)	25 R-K3 26 B-KR2 27 Q-KK12 28 RxK12 28 RxK13 30 Q-K14(f) 32 Kt-K7ch 33 QxP 35 QxPch 36 Q-K16ch 37 R-Q4 38 RxK1ch 40 Q-R8ch 41 Q-R6 mate	Q K 13 Q R3 Q R3 B R5(e) Castles K 1 Q41-B K 12 R P K 13 K - R P X K K - R P X K K - R R - Q2 R S R - K 12 R -
(a) Advanci	ng so many	pawns only o	ne square

that good factics. It hampers Black's development and also permits the adverse pawns later on to advance with great effect (b) This and the following moves of Elack only excrete to develop White's game and take his own serve to develop White's game and take his own

pieces out of play.

(c) R-QKt sq. would have been better.

(d) Instead of the text move, the following continuation would rave been at least interesting:

20 Kt-QGch RKKt 22 PxB QxP

21 KtxKP PxKt 23 Q-R5ch Kt-R2, &c.

(e) Facilitating White's king side attack.

(f) KtxPch K-R

KtxPch RxKt

-Q-Kt6, &c. could also have been played.

Mr. Tibbe is attributed the loss of the game to this move.

from Mr. L	yman.	iows Mr. A	dair's wi
	French	Defense.	
Lyman.  1 P-K4  2 P-Q43  3 Kt-QB3  4 KtxP  5 B-Q3  7 Castles  7 Castles  7 Castles  10 P-Kt  11 BxKt  11 BxKt  12 QxB  13 P-KB4  14 K-R  15 Q-Q2  16 B-K3  17 QxB  10 Q-QB6  20 QxBP  20 QxBP  20 QxBP	Adair. PK3 PQ4 PxP RtKB3 QKt-Q2 BK2 PQK13 BK2 QK1xKt BxB Castles BB4ch Q-Q4 KR-Q BxB Q-Q7 QxP QxRP KR-QB QxBP KR-QB	Lyman. 25 QXR 26 Q-Q7 27 R-Q 25 R-Q 25 R-Q 25 R-Kt 31 K-B 32 K-K 33 K-K 33 K-R 35 F-Kt 36 K-B 37 K-B 38 F-R 39 K-B 40 R-B 40	Adair. 4 P-K15 QxQ P-K16 R-Kt P-K17 K-B R-Kt R-K2 K-R3 K-Q4 P-R3 PXP K-R5 R-R6 R-K6 P-K6 P-K6 P-K6 P-K6 P-K6
23 R-Q7 24 RxRP	R-KB RxR	47 P-R7 48 Resigns.	Q-K2

The annual meeting of the club for the election of officers was held New Year night, but on account of the holiday the attendance was limited, and an adjournment taken to Tuesday next.

Showalter writes a friend that he will play his match, arranged at first to be

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup always cures coughs and colds. It is poor economy to neglect a cold when a bottle of this reliable remedy will relieve and cure it at once. Price only 25c.

McFadden and Sallivan Fight a Draw George McFadden and Spike" Sullivan Broadway Athletic Club, New York, last night. The fight was fast. In the eleventh round McFadden knocked Sullivan down with a left swing on the head. In the nine teenth round, when Sullivan had slipped on the floor. McFaddep struck him on the head while he was down. Sullivan had his left ear cut in the twentieth round, and was floored in the twenty-second round with a right hand swing on the ear. The men forgot what science they knew in the twenty-fourth round, and indulged in just the sort of slugging that has helped to bring about the governor's suggestion for the repeal of the Horton law. Sullivan was again sent to the floor in the final round. He was the favorite in the betting when the fight began at 100 to 70. Both men were cautioned by "Charley" White, the referee, during the beut, for using foul tactics. teenth round, when Sullivan had slipped on

Game to Be Played Over.

The game of basket ball played on De ember 9 between the Y. M. C. A. and the C. H. S. is to be played over again, by order of the league, on the ground that the Centrals played an illegal player. The Y. M. C. A. and the C. H. S. will play a championship game tonight in the Light Infantry Armory.

Athletic Club Election. The Manhattan Athletic Club held its first regular meeting of the year at its club house, 1025 17th street northwest. The fellowing officers were elected: Chas. L. Posey, president; H. Brent, vice president; W. Brown, recording secretary; Edward Harris, treasurer; F. Trent, sergeant-at-arms; Mr. Lee, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

Lipton Challenges for the Cup Again A special cablegram to the New York Herald from London yesterday says: Sir Thomas Lipton, who, with his friend, Mr. William Gibson, leaves next week to join his steam yacht, the Erin, for a cruise in he Mediterranean, has issued a challeng the Mediterranean, has issued a challenge for the America's cup in 1901, as he said that he would do before he left New York. At that time he said that the only point that he was not sure about was a designer, and it is stated on good authority, although Sir Thomas does not say so, that Mr. G. L. Watson, the famous designer, is to be responsible for the new challenger, and that she probably will be built on the Clyde.

CHICAGO, January 6.-Tommy Ryan of Syracuse has deposited \$1,000 with Lou Houseman of this city as a forfeit for a natch with anybody in the world at 158 pounds, "Kid" McCoy preferred. Ryan says he will not train Jeffries for his match with Corbett.

Livingston Knocks Out Madden.

BUTTE, Mont., January 6.—Jack Living-tion, the St. Paul "Kid," knocked out Kid" Madden of Denver in the third roun pefore the Butte Athletic Club, last night The men are lightweights. Livingston had the better of the go from the start. In the third round Madden was knocked down and out by an upper cut on the jaw.

Police Stop Fight at 'Frisco. SAN FRANCISCO, January 6.-The po

ice stopped the bout between Al Neil of this city and Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia in the fifteenth round at Woodward's pavilion last night. Neil had the better of the bout up to the fifteenth round, but in this round O'Brien landed a short-arm left jolt on Nell's solar plexus, caus-ing the latter to stagger and drop his hands. The police captain, thinking that Nell was about to be knocked out, jumped into the ring and waved the men to their corners. The refer-the contest a draw. referee thereupon declare

FIGHT FOR PURE WATER

Cumberland Citizens Hopeful of Getting Aid From Congress.

Senator Wellington and Represents tive Pearre Have Taken Active Interest in the Matter.

special Correspondence of The Evening Star. CUMBERLAND, Md., January 5, 1900. The question how to prevent pollution of the cotomac river, the source of Cumberland's water supply, is the all-absorbing topic here Interest in the matter is equal to that displayed in the bottest national campaign. New hope is taken because of the interest shown in the matter by Senator Wellington and Representative Pearre, who, it is beleved, can secure a hasty solution of the vil by national legislation. Representative Pearre, who is now here on court business, says he has prepared a bill looking to the purification of the Potomac, which he will rather averse to commissions, whose work he regards as necessarily slow, and his bill will apply the desired remedy at once. He says there is no trouble about national intervention, as the matter concerns more

The anti-pollution people have at last realized that thorough organization of their forces is necessary that effective results may follow. The adherents of the pulp mill, the alleged source of pollution, compose a compact organization.
General Joseph Sprigg, chairman of the

than one state.

pose a compact organization.

General Joseph Sprigg, chairman of the citizens' mass meeting, as empowered by the resolutions anopted Saturday night, has named an executive committee of twenty to take charge of the city's fight. The committee is composed thus: General Sprigg, ex-officio chairman; Postmaster J. Henry Holzshu, Dr. J. Jones Wilson, Dr. Herry Laney, Austin A. Wilson, Justice Charles R. Morris, James P. Gaffney, Levi Shaw. Charles C. Hedges, John H. J. House, ex-Councilman James M. Conway, David J. Lewis, County Surveyor John Schaidt, William C. Devecmon, J. W. Scott Cochrane, Water Superintendent Thomas S. Kean, George W. Snyder, Samuel J. Edwards, Jasper N. Wallson, John Keating, J. Philip Roman. A meeting of the committee has been called for Saturday evening in the city council chamber.

Congressman Pearre says he and Senator Wellington are in entire accord in the matter of an Increased appropriation for the proposed Cumberland public building and that both want a United States court room and post office. It was reported that Col. Pearre was opposed to the United States court feature, which he denies.

# NARROWLY AVERTED.

Hyatt Mansion Threatened With De-struction-Postmaster's Death. pecial Correspondence of The Evening Star.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., January 6, 1900. A serious fire was narrowly averted last evening at the Hyatt mansion, formerly occupied by C. C. Hyatt, after whom the village is named, and now a boarding house occupied by Mrs. H. C. Dobbs. The blaze was caused by a defective lamp, which was in a few minutes a mass of Fortunately several men were about the place, and by the use of blankets and carpets they succeeded in extinguishing the blaze. Beside the destruc tion of some carpet and bed clothing the

tion of some carpet and bed clothing the damage was slight.

Mr. John W. Howser, agent for the Baltimore and Ohlo rai road and postmaster at Relay station, died recently of acute pneumonia. The funeral took place from his late home at that place yesterday. A special train took—the remains to Baltimore, where they were interred with Masouic honors in Green Mount cemetery. The deceased was the oldest agent on the Baltimore and Ohlo railroad, having held the position of agent and postmaster at Relay station for forty years or more. The palbearers were officials of the company.

That the Japanese consider salted whale-meat a delicacy would appear by the quantities purchased. The whales are caught off the coast of Corea, the flesh and blubber cut up, salted deat to Japan for sale as food. Over 2,000 pounds of the whalemeat was imported into Nagasaki alone last year.

## played last fall, with Janowski in February. The contest is to be eight games up and for a stake of \$1,000. MADE A FINE RECORD

Gov. Lowndes Set Many Reforms During His Administration.

STATE TREASURY IN GOOD SHAPE

Schools and State Institutions Left in Flourishing Condition.

BENEFITS TO BALTIMORE 3

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. STATE HOUSE, Annapolis, January 5, 1900. Wednesday next Governor Lloyd Lownder will retire from the executive mansion and will turn the office over to his democratic successor, Colonel John Walter Smith, at present representative in Congress from the

With Governor Lowndes' retirement will close the only republican administration Maryland has had since the war, and the lemocrats will resume the power in this state of which they were deprived four

The administration of Governor Lowndes and the real good accomplished during the incumbency of his party have been remarkable when it is considered that parties and politicians so rarely regard the pledges on which they are intrusted with authority by the people. At the time this administra-tion assumed charge in 1836 Maryland was far behind the other commercial states of the Union in many particulars, and public affairs were managed in the same anti-quated way that obtained throughout the south prior to the war. The laws in force were in many important particulars, burwere, in many important particulars, bur-densome and cumbersome, and were used as cloaks to cover injustice, rather than as rules for the enforcement of justice and progress. All this has been changed, and today the public statutes of Maryland are as fair and equitable as those of any of the progressive commonwealths of the

Change in Election Law. The election laws prior to 1896 were full

of contradictions, and were intended and were used as covers for fraud and corruption, and elections were travesties on de cency and farces as expressions of the popular will. Now the opposite is the case, and every possible legal safeguard sur-rounds the bailot box. The tax and assess-ment laws were unjust and absurd. Now they are equitable and just. The public buildings were inconvenient and in many instances almost ruinous and sadly out of instances almost ruinous and sadly out of repair, while the management of the penal and public charitable institutions was corrupt in most cases and in others shiftless and extravagant. Now all that is changed, and the new state's prison and house of correction are models of their kind, and the new insane asylums, as well as the other charitable institutions, are all that the most progressive people could ask. In fact, in every branch of the public service the whole system of care and management is changed, and in four short years the difference is so great and almost startling that a gentleman who was familiar with them in former times, and who visited them very recently, said that he would not have believed such improvements could have taken place had he not seen them himself, and he expressed his surprise that a governor who had been able to accomplish so much for the people should have failed of re-election. repair, while the management of the penal

Lowndes the Moving Spirit. In all these improvements and changes Governor Lowndes has been the moving

and inspiring cause, and has not only urged them on, but persisted in his efforts until he has attained his point. He has devoted the most of his time to the duties of his office, and to him it has been at all times a burden and a public trust. He has made longer and more frequent visits to the various public institutions than any of his predecessors, and his visits have not been the usual mere perfunctory affairs, but have been full of work and careful examination of the closest and most rigid char-acter. When he has found that persons in acter. When he has found had persons in charge were inefficient or careless he has put others in their places, and in every re-spect he has really revolutionized the man-agement of the public institutions until now all of them are models of efficiency, and as such a course of pride to the state. and as such a course of pride to the state. Another important matter which has so greatly improved as to be almost irrecognizable is the school system. Under the old democratic ring regime, the public schools were managed as a part of the political machine, and as such were made to do good service for the party organization. Governor Lowndes, often in the face of the protests of influential men of his own party who wished to follow the corrupt precedents established by the democrats, here literally lifted the whole while continued. own party who wished to follow the corrupt precedents established by the democrats, has literally lifted the whole public school system of the state entirely out of the mire of politics, and has placed it on the high plane that it ought to occupy. He has given this branch of the public service more careful attention than any of his predecessors, all of whom looked upon their connection with the schools as a mere incident of their position and paid very little head to the duties incumbent thereon. The contrary has been the case with Governor Lowndes, and he deserves the title of Triend of public schools" perhaps more than any other honor he has won since he assumed charge of affairs, four years ago.

The public school system owes more to him than to any other one man in the state, and he is the only Governor Maryland has ever had who interested himself to any great extent with the subject. To iand has ever had who interested himself to any great extent with the subject. To him belongs the credit of elevating the public schools to their present position, and making the system of free education the best of that in any state in the south.

### State's Finances in Good Shape.

An examination of the record made durpublican administration has been almos without a flaw. The finances of the state are on a firm and stable basis, and with care the entire state debt can be wiped care the entire state debt can be wiped out and taxes for state purposes reduced to a mere trifle in a short time. The securities are quoted away above par in the markets, and are in steady demand. The laws passed have all been improvements and have been for the benefit of the whole people. No partisan legislation of any sort has been enacted, and, what is more surprising, none has been attempted. While Governor Lowndes and the other state officials have appointed, as a general thing reclais have appointed, as a general thing, re-publicans to office, they have not done so exclusively, and many democrats have been retained, while others have been acbeen retained, while others have been actually appointed to vacant places. Not one scandal, or even one breath of scandal, has attached to any one connected with the state government, and the democrats, when they take possession, will find affairs in a condition which is admitted by all to be a

> There Is No Question



BALTIMORERY

Quality . Age Flavor

Is the Leader Everywhere. E. H. NEUMEYER, Agent. 1424 E Street N.W., Washington, D. C.

·THE STANDARD TAILORS' GLEARING SALE.

LALGERAGERECLES GREEKERECKERECKERE

# WE SACRIFICE ALL PROFITS.

All \$15 Suitings now \$9.80. All \$18 Suitings now \$12.80. All \$20 Suitings now \$14.80.

No other tailor in this city can approach these fr prices for like qualities, nor can they offer you the great variety of styles always to be found in our establish-

Now Is the Time to Buy.

OUR BUILDING IS TO BE

REMODELED And our business increased by the addition of other departments of trade. This is another reason for our SACRIFICE SALE. WE ARE COMPELLED TO REDUCE THE STOCK TO DOLLARS, and the QUICKEST WAY is to GET COST out of the goods and LET THEM GO. DON'T DELAY. THIS IS YOUR HARVEST TIME. AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET A FASH-IONABLE SUIT AT ABOUT HALF ITS REAL VALUE.

Cor. 11th & FSts. stores 917 Pa. Ave.  $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$   $oldsymbol{u}_{i}$ 

vast imprevement over what it was in former years.
Governor Lowndes and his republican colleagues found Maryland, so far as the state government was concerned, backward, unprogressive, and in a rut. They turned it over with improved and progressive laws, with its institutions all up to the standard of the best in the country, with its treasury full and its indebtedness reduced to a minimum, with its securities and its credit or the best in the country, with its reasury full and its indebtedness reduced to a
minimum, with its securities and its credit
above par, and everything in the most advanced and desirable condition, and they
may well be proud of their record and
work. They found the state ring-ridden,
boss-ridden, saddled with unprogressive
laws and systems, and deep in the mire of
political corruption. They have lifted it
out and placed it on the high road of clean
politics and political advancement. It remains to be seen how long the incoming
administration will preserve the heritage in
its present excellent position, and whether
they will continue the state in a progressive
course or allow it to drop back to its former condition. Already they are not lacking signs that the latter, rather than the
former, will be their policy.

Baltimore Expecially Benefited.

Baltimore Especially Benefited. While the state at large has profited greatly by the administration of Governor Lowndes, the city of Baltimore has been specially benefited by the wise and progressive course of the republicans at Annapolis. Prior to 1896 that city had been governed by a charter more than three-quarters of a century old, and while the municipal code had been amended from time to time by various legislatures, it remained practically as it was in the first half of the century. Its main provisions were old and out of harmony with the times. The management of the local government was cumbersome and expensive. After a severe contest, in which Governor Lowndes took a leading part, a new charter was passed by the last general assembly, which placed the city in the vanguard of municipal reform, and today Baltimore is governed by a code of laws which enlightened public men admit is one of the best in the country, and which is being used as a model for other cities seeking to change their systems of administration. No effort has ever been made by the democrats during their long years of control to bring about any of these changes, and the republicans can justly claim the entire credit for the improvements brought about. napolis. Prior to 1896 that city had been

### CLAIM FOR DAMAGES.

Made Defendant in Suit \$10,000-Other News.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. ROCKVILLE, Md., January 6, 1900. Mr. William R. Russell of Kensington, this county, through his attorney, Mr. Robert B. Peter of Rockville, has entered suit in the circuit court here against the Chevy Chase and Kensington Electric Railway Company, claiming \$10,000 damages. The suit is the result of the plaintiff's ejectment from one of the Chevy Chase and Kensingon cars last July. The declaration sets forth that Mr. Russell entered one of the cars the first day of last July and purchased six tickets; one of which the con-ductor in charge of the car retained as fare for the ride. On the following day Mr. Russell again boarded one of the defendant company's cars and presented as fare one of the tickets he had purchased the day before. The conductor refused to accept the ticket (stating that he had been instructed to accept nothing but cash), and demanded cash from Mr. Russell. The latter declined to pay cash, whereupon the car was stopped and he was forcibly ejected

therefrom.

The deciaration further alleges that the plaintiff was seriously bruised and injured by the rough treatment he received; that he was subjected to great mortification, as the therefrom

Chevy Chase lake to the town of Kensington.

Messrs. James P. B. Veirs, Robert B. Peter and Dr. R. C. Warfield left here this morning for Chester, S. C., in which vicinity they will spend a week's shooting. All three gentlemen are crack shots and annually visit the southland in quest of game. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Rockville Baptist Church gave a Chinese tea last evening at the residence of Rey. S. R. White. An interesting program was rendered and the Christmas offering for mission work in China was collected. Miss Claudia J. White, recently returned from China, where she was for eight years engaged in mission work, spoke of her experience. Mr. Charles W. Prettyman sang a solo.

Rev. Howard G. England of West Virginia is visiting his parents at this place.

Master Berry, son of Delegate O. H. P. Clark of this county has been appointed. ton.

Messrs. James P. B. Veirs, Robert B.
Peter and Dr. R. C. Warfield left here this
morning for Chester, S. C., in which vicinity they will spend a week's shooting. All

ginia is visiting his parents at this place.

Master Berry, son of Delegate O. H. P.
Clark of this county, has been appointed a page in the Maryland house of delegates.

Miss Pauline Rabbitt has returned to her home near Derwood, after spending about ten days with friends in Martinsburg, W.

vast imprevement over what it was in former years.

Governor Lowndes and his republican colleagues found Maryland, so far as the state government was concerned, backward, unprogressive, and in a rut. They turned it over with improved and progressive laws, with its institutions all up to the standard of the best in the country, with its treasury full and its indebtedness reduced to a minimum, with its securities and its credit above par, and everything in the most advanced and desirable condition, and they once upon the granting of the fra-but the enormous increase of the p-iron pipe (about 150 per cent) cause

iron pipe (about 150 per cent) caused another postponement."

Mayor Phelps favors municipal ownership of waterworks and electric light plant, but will not at this time, he says, press his convictions upon the people. He also favors and recommends the passage of an ordinance by the city council prohibiting the erection of any but brick buildings with metal roofs on Main street.

The mayor also recommends that the electric lights be run all night, instead of closing at 1 o'clock, as at present. He wants a fire bell in the city hall, the Australian ballot for town elections, and extension to Laurel of the electric road between Laurel and the District of Columbia.

An order was passed by city council, with the apparatus

An order was passed by city council, with the approval of the mayor, offering a re-ward of \$200 for any information which may result in the arrest of the party of may result in the recent fires which may result in the arrest of the party or parties concerned in the recent fires which have occurred here. It is also understood that one of the insurance companies which lost heavily by the burning of the buildings here will offer a reward of \$200 for the arrest of the parties concerned, making in all a reward of \$500.

The police force has been changed to a certain extent. Capt. Griffith, who was the day officer, will now go on at 12 o'clock noon and come off duty at midnight, and Night officer Scaggs will remain on all night. This is done in order to have two officers in service through the night.

ENGLISH ABUSE OF WHITE FLAG. Formal Protest of President Steyn Sent Out to Europe.

A dispatch to the New York World from London says: Dr. Leyds, the South African republic's representative in Europe, has transmitted to the World's London bureau a copy of the dispatch sent by President Steyn of the Orange Free State to Premier Schreiner of Cape Colony, in reply to the latter's protest against the Boer invasion of Cape Colony. Copies were also sent by

of Cape Colony. Copies were also sent by President Steyn to the European powers and to the government at Washington.

After justifying the invasion as a necessary measure of defense for the republics against British aggression. Herr Steyn bitterly denounces the campaign of stander conducted by the English press and politicians, adding:

"That the decelt, misrepresentation and lying which preceded and mainly caused the war—which is an unjust and cruel proceeding, forcing us against our will to fight in defense of our rights—should not cease even now during the war we quite expected. We were not surprised, therefore, to notice frequently repeated and maliciously false charges against the republics of atrocities, abuse of the white flag and what not beside.

"We now avail ourseless of this

"We now avail ourselves of this opportunity to protest against the repeated abuse by British troops of the white flag. In order to escape from unsafe or to take up stronger positions; also against the arming and employment against us of natives, even against the will of the latter, as at Mafe-

FIRE DESTROYS MUCH TOBACCO. Serious Blaze in the Warehouse Dis-

trict in Richmond, Va. Fire broke out in the Merchants and Planters' tobacco warehouse in Richmond, Va., yesterday afternoon. In it were stored some 3,600 hogsheads of tobacco, 2,600 of which belonged to the American Tobacco Company and the rest to various parties. The interior of the building in a few min-utes was a roaring furnace, and all hope of saving the structure or any of its con-tents was idle. The destruction was com-

Death of Gen. Wm. Glenny. Gen. William Glenny, who commanded

Miss Pauline Rabbitt has returned to her home near Derwood, after spending about ten days with friends in Martinsburg, W. Va.

Mrs. David J. Brown hids town is visiting her sister, M. Baidwin, in Washington.

MAYOR'S SPECIAL MESSAGE.

Recommends That Town Be Given Protection Against Fire.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

LAUREL, Md., January 4, 1000.

Mayor Edward Phelps has sent a special message to the city council making recommendations, which, if adopted, will require some legislation from the general assembly. On the subject of waterworks and fire protection the mayor said: "Our recent fires demonstrate that radical steps must be taken at once to protect the lives and property of our citizens. In 1892 a bill was passed for waterworks, but the necessity not being thoroughly understood, it was voted against by a majority of our citizens at the spring election. In 1894 it was pushed aside for street improvements. In the 64th New York Infantry during the